

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being electronically transmitted to United States Patent and Trademark Office on 24 July 2009.

/Kathryn Marley/

Kathryn Marley

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of inventor(s):

Lukas P.P.P. van Ginneken

Application No. **10/828,547**

Confirmation No. **3884**

Filing Date: **19 April 2004**

Title: **Timing Closure Methodology
Including Placement with Initial
Delay Values**

Group Art Unit: **2825**

Examiner: **Vuthe Siek**

CUSTOMER NO. 36454

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

APPLICANT SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW WITH EXAMINER

Sir:

The undersigned attorney of record for Applicant initiated a telephone interview with Examiner Siek on 14 July 2009 to discuss the Tsay reference (U.S. Patent No. 5,461,576) and claims 2 and 16. A discussion was held concerning interpretation of the claims.

The Examiner indicated that he planned to act on the application within about 2 weeks. The undersigned agreed to call the Examiner if Applicants decide to present an amendment in light of the interview.

No agreement was reached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 24 July 2009

/Mark A. Haynes/

Mark A. Haynes, Reg. No. 30,846

SYNOPSYS, INC., c/o
HAYNES BEFFEL & WOLFELD LLP
P.O. Box 366
Half Moon Bay, CA 94019
(650) 712-0340 phone
(650) 712-0263 fax